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1. FIRST INDICATION OF A NEW NORTH VIETNAMESE ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CROSSING THE DMZ INTO SOUTH VIETNAM IS NOTED ON GIANT SCALE MISSION 365 DATED 18 JUNE 1971. THE NEW ROAD ALIGNMENT BRANCHES FROM A RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED ROAD WITHIN THE DMZ AT XD769705 AND EXTENDS 4 NM SOUTHWARD TO XD785656, 1 NM SOUTH OF THE DMZ-SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER. THE 3 NM ROAD SEGMENT WITHIN THE DMZ IS ALREADY NOTORABLE WHILE THE REMAINING 1 NM WITHIN SOUTH VIETNAM IS IN THE MIDSTAGE OF CONSTRUCTION. CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW ROAD STARTED SOMETIME AFTER 11 MAY 1971.

2. IF CONSTRUCTED 6.5 NM FARTHER TO THE SOUTH, THIS NEW ROAD WILL CONNECT WITH ROUTE 925/608, AN EAST-WEST CROSS BORDER ROAD EXTENDING FROM LAOS INTO SOUTH VIETNAM. WHEN LAST OBSERVED ON 21 APRIL 1971 PHOTOGRAPHY, ROUTE 925/608 IN SOUTH VIETNAM WAS BEING EXTENDED TO THE EAST. ITS EASTWARD LIMIT OF CONSTRUCTION ON 21

APRIL WAS XD746534.

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## MAP REFERENCES:

SERIES L7014 SHEET 6342 IV

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